

Senator Osten, Representative Miller and members of the Planning and Development Committee:

I am Timothy Beeble of Bethel Connecticut. I have a Masters degree in Urban Planning and am very familiar with local planning and zoning procedures. Raised Bill HB 5483 An Act Concerning the Zoning of Crematories is intended to benefit one firm that is located in Bethel. The proponent of this bill suggests that HB 5483 will give towns flexibility to permit a crematory that is located within 500 feet of residential zoned land that is owned by the municipality. The fact is that towns already have the authority to change the zoning on their town-owned land through their planning and zoning boards. I urge you to reject HB 5483 that is aimed at benefiting a single property owner. This bill is the legislative equivalent of spot zoning.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tim Beeble